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SUBJECT: OPEC WEST AFRICAN BRIEFINGS

FOR OPIC BRIEFING TEAM: COOPER, HENDERSON, WISS

REF: A. STATE 040179 B. STATE 066308 C. STATE 072505

1. EMBASSY HAS LEARNED APRIL 11 ARRIVAL AIR LIBERIA FLIGHT IS SCHEDULED 1430 AND NOT REPEAT NOT 1010 HRS AS STATED IN REF A. YOUR ARRIVAL COULD BE HASTENED BY GETTING APRIL 11 AIR GHANA FLIGHT ARRIVING FREETOWN 1315. IN EITHER CASE, TWO HOUR TRIP FROM AIRPORT TO FREETOWN WILL CUT VISIT TO EXTREMELY SHORT PROPORTIONS. EMBASSY SUGGESTS FOLLOWING HECTIC SCHEDULE TO MAKE FULL USE OF YOUR LIMITED TIME HERE:

APRIL 11 -1315 OR 1530: ARRIVE LUNGI AIRPORT; MET BY ECON/COMMERCIAL OFFICER WHO WILL BRIEF TEAM MEMBERS.

1730TO 1930: SEMINAR TYPE BRIEFING BY OPIC

TEAM AT USIS LIBRARY TO WIDE RANGE OF GOVERNMENT, BANKING, AND BUSINES REPS (FYI LIST OF INVITEES SUBMITTED WITH LOEVELER LETTER HS BEEN EXPANDED TO INCLUDEMINISTRIES OF AGRICULTURE, TRANSPORT, COMMUNICATIONS, FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND CHAIRMAN OF THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE).

2100: DINNER WITH AMB SAMUELS AND A SMALL GROUP OF GOSL MINISTERS.

APRIL 12

0800: COOPER WILL CONDUCT BREAKFAST SESSION AT AMBASSADOR'S

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WITH REPS OF AMERICAN OPIC INSURED FIRMS TO DISCUSS

BUSINESS CLIMATE.

HENDERSON AND WISS WILL ACCOMPANY ECON OFFICER FOR
DISCUSSIONS WITH OFFICIALS OF NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT
BANK ON PROJECTS REQUIRING FINANCING.

1100: TEAM WILL CONVENE AT PARAMOUNT HOTEL AND BE TAKEN
TO AIRPORT.

2. FOLLOWUP SCHEDULE FOR WISS WILL INCLUDE VISITS WITH
SELECTED MINISTRIES, BANKERS, BUSINESSMEN WHO PREFER NOT TO
ATTEND APRIL 11 SESSION.

3. REQUEST CONFIRMATION YOUR FLIGHT AND ETA IN FREETOWN.
SAMUELS

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